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2 IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
3 NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO  
4 EASTERN DIVISION

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6 IN RE: NATIONAL PRESCRIPTION MDL No. 2804  
7 OPIATE LITIGATION

8 Case No.  
9 17-md-2804

10 11 12 Judge Dan Aaron  
13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 Polster

This Document Relates To:  
Track Eight  
Cobb County, Georgia.  
Case No. 1:18-op-45817-DAP.

13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 Remote videotaped deposition of  
DENNIS M. TROUGHTON, SR.

September 14, 2023  
9:24 a.m.

Renee L. Pellegrino, RPR

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1 flag, a notice, hey, be aware, look at it; if  
2 necessary, ask your questions to make your  
3 professional judgment.

4 So -- so is there a grid, is there  
5 a specific way to look at any of these red  
6 flags and go, okay, if it's A, B or C, it's a  
7 problem? There's not. These just provide  
8 education and notice for the pharmacists.

9 Q. Does the GDNA have -- strike that.

10 Does the GDNA have any policy,  
11 guidance, standards or rules about how a  
12 pharmacist should document any red flags it  
13 perceives in a prescription?

14 MS. FITZPATRICK: Objection.

15 Form.

16 A. No, because red flags, again, is  
17 not a -- in the rule or the law. This is not  
18 a -- a red flag is not a regulatory issue that  
19 the Board of Pharmacy has asked us in a rule  
20 to keep up with nor has the legislature put in  
21 law for us to keep up with. This is an  
22 educational tool provided that we chose at  
23 GDNA.

24 So, no, there is not a -- forgive  
25 me. I forget how you asked it exactly -- a

1 requirement to log -- a pharmacist to log  
2 their red flags that they see.

3 MS. FITZPATRICK: I don't want to  
4 interrupt, but I just want to make sure -- and  
5 I apologize after the fact. It's form and  
6 scope on that last objection. I think my  
7 scope got lost. My fault.

8 Q. Okay. I'm going to try to close  
9 this section out here and then maybe we can  
10 take a little break.

11 I want to show you what is folder  
12 or tab 23 and I'm going to mark as Exhibit 10.

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14 (Thereupon, Deposition Exhibit 10,  
15 Publix Pharmacy Licensee  
16 Information dated October 22,  
17 1992, was marked for purposes of  
18 identification.)

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20 Q. I asked you previously if you were  
21 aware of just, you know, from your memory or  
22 speaking for the GDNA of any Publix in Cobb  
23 County having its license suspended or  
24 revoked, and I think you testified based on  
25 your memory you couldn't think of any, but now

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1                   I do further certify that I am not a  
2 relative, counsel or attorney for either  
3 party, or otherwise interested in the event of  
4 this action.

5                   IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto  
6 set my hand and affixed my seal of office at  
7 Cleveland, Ohio, on this 28th day of September,  
8 2023.

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Renee L. Pellegrino

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14                   Renee L. Pellegrino, Notary Public  
15                   within and for the State of Ohio

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17                   My commission expires October 12, 2025.

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